

CURRICULUM VITAE

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CAREER AND PERSONAL OBJECTIVE

To constantly learn and upgrade my Conservation and Environmental knowledge and skills. I am an all-round person, friendly, innovative, goal oriented, and always ready to listen. Seeking to achieve goals in a busy and challenging cross – cultural environment under minimum supervision and rise through the ranks to management level while exercising my abilities to the fullest extent as I support individuals and incorporate growth.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

2011 - 2015: Chuka University - Bachelor **degree in Wildlife Enterprise and Management**

2010: Ashford institute -**Certificate in computer applications**

TRAINING WORKSHOPS

31 January 2020- Attended a workshop on Archival and Digitalization of Endangered Museums Records held at museum compound

28-29 January 2020- Attended a workshop on Developing a Freshwater Biodiversity Data and Information System for Tana River Basin for Improvement Ecosystem Management and Development Planning Project.

19-24 May 2019- attended a training on the Biology of reptiles and amphibians, a course organized by Kenya Herpetofauna Working Group and the National Museums of Kenya.

13-15 May 2019: Attended a training workshop on Data Analysis using R Statistical Program held within the museum compound.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Nov 2021-March 2022: - Principal Investigator Project: Creating Awareness on snakes and snakebite management in Tharaka Nithi County, Kenya project founded by Save The Snakes Organisation.

March 2020- Dec 2021: - Archival Digitizer for the Preserving Endangered Archival Material in the National Museums of Kenya project founded by the Endangered Archives Programme (EAP) of the British Library to digitize archival zoological materials.

Nov 2019-ongoing: National Museum of Kenya.: -Herpetology section.

Position: - Volunteer *Research Fellow*

Duties.

I am involved in the daily activities of the Museums Herpetology section which include Developing proposals, conducting research, specimen processing, and management of collection and training students on attachment and university and college students who visits the section.

June 2014-Sep 2014: Tsavo East National Park

Position: Internship

Duties:

Customer relationship management; collecting feedback and responding to any complaints at the tourism department and customer care office. Management of client and supplier's database. Manage filing and records. Research projects and other assigned duties, Participated in various education forums; community awareness on environmental issues. Tour guiding.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

24th September 2022: - Lead an awareness training workshop about snakes and snakebite management in honor of International Snakebite awareness day at Kitengela through Kenya Herpetofauna Working Group.

February – September 2022: - Have given 5 talks through zoom and google meet about snakes and snakebite.

November 2021 – June 2022: - Created awareness about snakes and snakebite in Tharaka Nithi county with the grant awarded by Save The Snakes.

29th-31st October 2021: - Lead research in amphibians and reptiles at Murungaru, Kinangop kenya under Kenya Herpetofauna Working Group founded by Nature Kenya and the National Museums of Kenya Herpetology section.

19th -21st February 2021: - Took part in a Rapid Biodiversity Survey at Kyeleni, Kilimambogo Kiambu county, Kenya under Nature Kenya youth committee funded by Nature Kenya.

05-09 December 2020: - Took part in a herpetofauna field excursion to Bahati Ridge Farm, Thika Kiambu County, Kenya under KHWG, funded by Nature Kenya in collaboration with herpetology section as a Research Assistant.

30th October-7th November 2019: - Took part in a field excursion of Lower Tana River Basin Project funded by National Museums of Kenya (NMK) in collecting data on herpetofauna as a Research Assistance.

21-22 September 2019: - Took part in a herpetofauna excursion to Dakatcha woodland in Kilifi County, Kenya, under KHWG, funded by Nature Kenya in collaboration with herpetology section as a Research Assistant. The results published by Nature Kenya in the nature net titled: Herpes of Dakatcha: a first Glimpse by Jacinta Njeri and Hamisi Ali.

SKILLS AND COMPETENCE

- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Leadership and management skills.
- Excellent report writing skills.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office suite: excellent knowledge of MS Word, Microsoft Outlook, Excel, PowerPoint, Databases, Spreadsheets and the Internet.
- Fluent in spoken and written English, Kiswahili.
- Analytical and time management skills.
- Ability to work under minimal supervision.
- Proposal writing and Research skills

ACHIEVEMENTS AND RECOGNITION

Feb 2022- Date: Kenya Herpetofauna Working Group – **Chairperson.**

2020-2022: Nature Kenya Youth Committee - **Treasurer**

2013 -2014: Chuka University- Wildlife Club - **Executive committee member - Chairperson**

2012-2013: Chuka University – Wildlife Club- **Executive committee member - Disciplinarian**

2011- 2012: **Community Improvement Projects**

Participated in educating the community in Aquaculture projects (rearing fish in farms)

INTERESTS

Amphibians and reptile's surveys, Snake safaris, Bird watching, Football, athletics, travelling, environmental conservation activities, having forums and discussions, meeting new people.

REFEREES

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